



U.S. ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND

COVID-19 RESOURCES / FAQ

OFFICIAL RESOURCES:

- Government Response to Coronavirus, COVID-19 – [usa.gov/coronavirus](https://www.usa.gov/coronavirus)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- Department of Defense Response and Guidance – <https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus/>
- Defense Health Agency Tricare Guidance - <https://www.tricare.mil/HealthWellness/HealthyLiving/Coronavirus>
- Office of Personnel Management Guidance - <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/covid-19/>

FAQs:

Q. What is AMC currently doing in response to COVID-19?

A. AMC is taking steps focused on prevention and the safety of the workforce, following guidance from the Office of Personnel Management, Department of Defense and Department of the Army on travel limitations and restrictions. Specifically, leaders have been given authority to maximize workforce flexibilities, including options for leave, work schedules and telework, based on their assessments of their local areas and situations.

Q. Does AMC have any confirmed cases?

A. As of today, worldwide, one Army Materiel Command employee – a civilian host nation employee in Vicenza, Italy – has tested positive for COVID-19.

Q. What does quarantine mean, and when should someone be quarantined?

A. Self-quarantine, or separation from others, can prevent the possible spread of Coronavirus. Employees who have traveled internationally or have been exposed to COVID-19 are required to self-quarantine for 14 days, which is the incubation period of the virus, meaning someone who has contracted the virus would generally develop symptoms during that time. If after 14 days, no symptoms have developed, the employee may return to their normal schedule.

Q. What status are employees in if they self-quarantine?

A. This is situation-dependent, and should be worked out with the supervisor and chain of command. Some may be able to telework; some may use personal leave; some may qualify for administrative leave.

Q. What is the telework policy under these circumstances?

A. Employees should follow the telework policies of their organization, but are encouraged to sign telework agreements and test telework capabilities now. Leaders are working now to ensure the systems and network can handle the additional load on the VPN capabilities.

Q. How do we keep people safe whose jobs are not eligible for telework?

A. Leaders are working with DA, DOD and OMB to determine flexibilities for non-telework eligible positions.

Q. Can employees still conduct scheduled travel and TDY?

A. DOD has stopped all non-mission essential, government-funded travel, including PCS and TDY.

Q. What about personal travel?

A. Military members are only authorized local leave in accordance with Army policies. DOD civilians and family members should consider the risks before traveling. A 14-day self-quarantine is required for those returning from international travel and those exposed to the virus.

